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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 et. seq., the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants further request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed by the Examiner to indicate that all listed citations have been considered, be returned with the next official communication.

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